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Met at ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Representative Dykema of Holliston and Speaker Mariano, the members and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute in respect to the memory of Norman J. Han, 50, of Hopkinton, who passed away on Monday, November 29, 2021.

Norman J.
Han.

Born in Seoul, South Korea, he was the son of Dr. Dae Suk and Duk Hwa Han. Norman moved to the United States as a toddler and lived in New York, New Hampshire, and New Jersey, before settling in Massachusetts.

Norman received his Master's degree in Public Administration from Columbia University and worked in Healthcare Policy for the Federal Government, before moving to the Massachusetts House Committee on Ways and Means, serving under several administrations. The House benefitted greatly from Norman's intellect and experience; and he was greatly respected by the House Membership, Officers and staff. Norman went on to develop budget and policy recommendations for MassHealth and the Group Insurance Commission. Most recently, he was the Director of Healthcare Policy and Research for the Massachusetts Association of Health Plans.

Norman enjoyed spending time with family, traveling, and good food. He was a lifelong fan of all sports, especially basketball, soccer, baseball and football. He served on the board for the Transportation Children Center in Boston; while his daughter was enrolled in their pre-school program.

In addition to his parents, Norman is survived by his beloved wife, Ann Han; his daughter, Megan and his sister, Julie Han of San Jose, California. He also leaves behind his sisters-in-law, Kate Faulkner and her husband, Colin of Bedford, Amy Matheson and her husband, Tom of Tucson, Arizona; his nephew, Jack Faulkner and nieces, Fiona and Sabrina Matheson; as well as his aunts, uncles and cousins.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Coppinger of Boston and McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Daniel Li on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout;

Daniel
Li.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Coppinger of Boston and McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Jeffrey Parla on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout;

Jeffrey
Parla.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Coppinger of Boston and McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Samkyu Yaffe on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout; and

Samkyu
Yaffe.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Parisella of Beverly) commending the North Shore Music Theatre on the thirtieth anniversary production of A Christmas Carol;

North Shore
Music Theatre.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Ms. Kerans of Danvers, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Murray of Milford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4276) of Brian W. Murray (by vote of the town) for legislation to further regulate representative town meetings in the town of Milford. To the committee on Elections Laws.

Milford,—
town
meeting.

By the same member, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4275) of Brian W. Murray (by vote of the town) for legislation to further regulate the number of members of the Insurance Advisory Committee in the town of Milford. To the committee on Public Service.

Milford,—
insurance
committee.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Danielle W. Gregoire for legislation of establish an insulin patient assistance program. To the committee on Health Care Financing.

Insulin,—
assistance.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Jacob R. Oliveira and Natalie M. Blais relative to zoning ordinances for the regulation of the installation of solar energy systems. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Zoning,—
solar energy
systems.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Smitty Pignatelli and Adam G. Hinds that the State Retirement Board be authorized to retire Chad Shimmon, a uniformed member of the town of Great Barrington Police Department. To the committee on Public Service.

Chad
Shimmon,—
retirement.

Joint petition (accompanied by bill) of Kip A. Diggs, Julian Cyr and others that the Superintendent of State Office Buildings be authorized to install a permanent memorial in the State House in honor of Mercy Otis Warren. To the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

State House,—
Warren
memorial.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Consalvo of Boston, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the Senate amendment (striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate

COVID-19
recovery
Needs (ARPA).

document numbered 2580) of the House Bill relative to immediate COVID-19 recovery needs (House, No. 4234), reported recommending passage of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4269) [Total appropriation (Fiscal Years 2021 to 2026, inclusive): \$3,998,744,000.00]. Referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Honan of Boston, for said committee, then reported, that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Ms. Decker of Cambridge, for the committee on Public Health, on Senate, No. 1439 and House, No. 2261, a Bill to promote public safety and certainty related to child deaths (House, No. 2261).

Children,—
deaths.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1372 and House, No. 2264, a Bill to improve access to emergency contraception (House, No. 2264).

Emergency
contraception.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to postpartum depression screening (House, No. 2285).

Postpartum
depression.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1401 and House, No. 2335, a Bill to update postural screenings in schools (House, No. 2335).

Postural
screenings.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to HIV prevention access for young adults (House, No. 2349).

HIV
prevention.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1475 and House, No. 2372, a Bill relative to Medicaid coverage for doula services (House, No. 2372).

Medicaid,—
doula services.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill regarding racism as a public health crisis (House, No. 2400).

Public health,—
racism.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1442 and House, No. 3795, a Bill to improve access to breastfeeding care (House, No. 3795).

Breastfeeding,—
access.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1383 and House, No. 2267, a Bill prohibiting non consensual pelvic examinations (House, No. 4270).

Pelvic
examinations.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1525 and House, No. 2331, a Bill protecting children from harmful diet pills and muscle-building supplements (House, No. 4271).

Supplements,—
children.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2383, a Bill regarding the Pediatric Palliative Care Program (House, No. 4272).

Pediatric
palliative care.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Ms. Decker of Cambridge, for the committee on Public Health, on Senate, No. 1370 and House, No. 2263, a Bill to restrict the use of polystyrene (House, No. 2263).

Polystyrene,—
restrictions.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 2224, a Bill protecting the health and safety of people in restaurants (House, No. 4273).

Restaurants,—
safety.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Orders of the Day.

House bills

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Orleans as the Norman Wood Finch memorial bridge (House, No. 3969); and

Third
reading
bills.

Designating a certain bridge in the city of Haverhill as the Ted and Mary Murphy bridge (House, No. 4099);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the amendment of section 3-4 of the home rule charter of the city of Methuen (House, No. 3984), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Methuen,—
charter.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Ms. Garlick of Needham moved to amend it by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4274), which was read.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At twenty minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.